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Content	<p>The University of São Paulo (USP) is a public university situated in São Paulo, Brazil, the medical course consists of 6 years, of which the last two are internships. The fifth year is based at in and outpatient clinics. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the University has opted to suspend all activities for interns. The Center of Development of Medical Education, along with students that wished to aid during this difficult moment, has created several types of volunteer work for students to help the hospitals linked with the university. The volunteer work done in the University's Hospital, specifically in the Emergency unit for suspect cases of COVID-19 was performed by twenty five students. Our group of fifth year students was invited to this work and students were selected according to their answer. They were divided in shifts of 12 hours with 2 students each during the period of approximately 2 months. They were supervised by one or two attending physicians. Activities that were expected consisted in: initial evaluation of patients with COVID-19 symptoms, collection of exams (including nasoropharyngeal swab for PCR) and case discussion with the attending physician for posterior management; but students were able to experience and perform other activities such as: orotracheal intubation, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, epidemiological surveillance notification, patient's transfer formulary in São Paulo's state interhospital system. The desire that medical students had to not stand down during a severe health crisis was crucial and it prepared ourselves to face future practice that will be necessary.</p>